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State County

Monterey (ORIG. ON
Mesa Road ALVARADO ST. ✓
Town or Vicinity

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Structure Casa Bonifacio (CAL-153) SHERMAN ROSE COTTAGE

History: Built in 1835 by Jose Rafael Gonzales, a retired cavalryman and then Administrator of Custom House. In 1860 became property of Carmen Pinto de Bonifacio and passed to her daughter Maria Ygnacia who never married. Untrue legend has it that she was betrothed to Lt. W. T. Sherman who gave her a rose with the promise to return to claim her hand ere it bloomed but never returned. The bush that grew here was known as the Sherman Rose and
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the adobe was so known. House moved and rebuilt at the present location on Mesa Road in 1922 for Percy Gray. (First National Bank of Monterey was built on the original site on Alvarado St.)

Description: Two-story adobe rebuilt to lines of original adobe with tile instead of shingle roof. General appearance the same.

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References: WPA Historical Survey of Monterey - File 43.

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